

REMARKS

This reply is in response to the Office Action mailed on January 29, 2008 in which claims 25 and 37 were allowed; in which claims 1-3, 5-14, 16-24, 30, 31, 33-35 and 38 were rejected. With this response, claims 1, 16 and 38 are amended... Claims 1-3, 5-14, 16-25, 30-31, 33-35 and 37-38 are presented for reconsideration and allowance.

I. Examiner Interview Summary

On April 29, 2008, a telephonic interview was held between Examiner Morrison and Applicant's attorney, Todd A. Rathe. The rejections of the claims under 35 USC 112, second paragraph were discussed. It was agreed upon that the above amendment would overcome the rejections under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. Examiner Morrison indicated that he intended to conduct a follow-up confirmation search before allowance of the case.

Applicants wish to should thank Examiner Morrison for his thorough review and identification of the noted errors in claims 1, 16 and 38. Applicants further wish to thank Examiner Morrison for his indicated willingness to call Applicants attorney should the confirmation search raise any concerns.

II. Objection to Claim 1

Section 2 of the Office Action objected to claim 1 noting that "year" should be -- gear --. Claim 1 is amended as suggested.

III. Rejection of Claims 1-3, 5-14, 16-24, 30, 31, 33-35 and 38 under 35 USC 112, Second Paragraph

Section 2 of the Office Action rejected claim 1-3, 5-14, 16-24, 30, 31, 33-35 and 38 by noting that the third gear appears to be out of engagement with the first gear, not the second gear. Claims 1, 16 and 38 are amended to correct this typographical error. As noted above, during the Examiner Interview held on April 29,

2008, who was agreed upon that such amendments would overcome the rejection under 35 USC 112, second paragraph.

IV. Conclusion

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-2025. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 08-2025. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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